

HOME, ITS PROBLEMS AND INTERESTS

WOMAN'S INQUIRY COLUMN

Letters to the Woman's Inquiry Column are invited. They should be addressed to Editor Woman's Inquiry Column, Washington Times, and should reach the office before Saturday to insure an answer the following week. Each letter must bear the full and correct signature and the address of the sender, not for publication, but merely as an evidence of good faith. Unsigned letters received will be ignored.

To Editor Woman's Inquiry Column:
I am a constant reader of the "Inquiry Column" and I beg leave to ask for a recipe for "chewing caramels." I have recipes for the brittle and fudge and other confections, but would like the other recipe.

CONSTANT READER.

I will give you the Marion Harland recipe for chocolate caramels and let you try them.

Chocolate caramels (No. 1)—Heat together a slow fire two cups of brown sugar, half a cup of molasses, half a cup of cream, four tablespoons of butter and half a cup of sweetened chocolate, grated. Cool until it is brittle when dropped into cold water; flavor with a teaspoonful of vanilla, turn into a greased pan and when cool cut into squares with a knife.

Chocolate caramels (No. 2)—Boil together two pounds of granulated sugar, a quarter of a pound of grated chocolate, a half pint of milk, a quarter of a pound of butter. Cook until a bit hardens when dropped into cold water, flavor with vanilla, pour into greased tins and mark into squares.
Opera caramels—Stir into two cups of granulated sugar just enough milk to dissolve it, add a quarter teaspoonful of cream of tartar and put over a slow fire. Stir constantly while boiling until a little dropped into cold water has the consistency of putty. Pour into a shallow pan and set aside to cool until so stiff that your finger pressed on it leaves a dent. Now beat until you have a soft, dough-like mass. Knead this, put upon a pastry board sprinkled with powdered sugar, and roll into a sheet a half inch thick. Cut into squares. If you wish to make vanilla caramels of these stir in the vanilla just before taking the mixture from the fire.

To Editor Woman's Inquiry Column:

1. If a widow is married privately at a church parsonage, what is the proper form for a marriage announcement?
2. What is the proper form if she is married at the home of a cousin? Should the cousin announce the marriage?
3. Should the husband accompany the wife when she returns the first call after marriage, or should the wife leave the husband's care with her?
4. How many cards should be left?
5. Should the groom accompany the preacher to the home, or should he send a carriage for him and let the preacher come alone?
6. Is it proper for widow or widower to have attendants?
E. S.

1. If a widow is married privately at a church parsonage, the announcement cards should read: "The marriage was solemnized by Rev. Mr. Jones to Mr. John Brown, Saturday, March the seventeenth, nineteen hundred and six, at the parsonage of the Presbyterian Church, Washington, D. C." The cards should show her maiden name as part of her full name.

2. If it is impossible for the husband to accompany his wife she should have her card for him when making calls.
3. She should leave one of her husband's cards for each woman in the family.
4. The groom should send a carriage for the minister.

5. If they wish, both widow and widower may have attendants at a wedding.

To Editor Woman's Inquiry Column:

For several years my hair has been gradually turning gray, and it has now reached that stage known as the pepper and salt variety. Could you recommend a wash that would tend to whiten it, and at the same time not prove injurious?
ANONYMOUS.

I regret that I know of nothing not harmful to the hair that you could use to whiten it.

To Editor Woman's Inquiry Column:

1. Will you please tell me how to clean a pair of corsets that are in good condition, only very much soiled?
2. Can you give me a recipe for a jelly roll? If you can, please do so.
MISS F. L. M.

1. Remove the steels and wash them just as you would any other article of clothing. Then put the steels back when they are thoroughly dried and ironed.
2. Take four eggs and their weight in butter, sugar and flour. Cream the butter and sugar, add the beaten yolks and whip for five minutes. Put in the flour, the stiffened whites, and last of all, a full teaspoonful of baking powder. Pour into a greased baking tin, and make the layer not more than half an inch thick. Bake quickly and steadily, turn the pan when baked, spread with jelly at once and roll. Cover with paper and tie into shape until cold.

To Editor Woman's Inquiry Column:
Will you kindly tell me how to reduce flesh? I am too fat. Will rolling the head take the fat off the back of the neck? I weigh 132½ pounds.
MRS. H.

Avoid all starchy and sweetened food, all cereals, vegetables containing sugar or starch, such as peas, beans, corn, potatoes, etc. Have your bread toasted; sprinkle it with salt, instead of using butter. Milk, I regret to say, if it is pure and good, is fattening. Skimmed milk may be drunk. Hot water is an excellent substitute for liquid. Add a little of the juice of lemons or lemon to it, if you choose. Limit your sleeping hours to six or seven at the outside. No naps. You must take exercise. If you cannot walk at least five miles a day, and do not ride a bicycle, go to

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CHARACTER AS TOLD BY THE HAIR

Character is more easily discernible by close observation of the hair than by looking the expressions of the face. It is a wonderful guide of the mental capacity, tastes, and temper of individuals.

It has been said the finer the hair the gentler the birth, and it is certainly true that those who are born to the purple are often remarkable for the soft, silky texture of the hair.

Lustrous black hair denotes a jealous disposition, and treacherous temperament. In nine cases out of ten it is a curious fact, which cannot be refuted, that the lighter the color of the hair the more sensitive is the owner to criticisms and the more quick to feel real or fancied injuries.

The possessor of brown hair of good depth of color and fine texture is usually distinguished by good judgment, a high degree of reasoning power, and plenty of common sense. Women with red hair, though often over-impulsive and too quick-spoken, are generally strict, honest and truthful, show a fair amount of common sense, and as a rule are the brightest, sunniest, and gentlest individuals in existence.

A woman with straight and what might be termed "unyielding" hair, especially if the color is dark, possesses a firm and highly-principled nature; she is determined, perhaps even a little obstinate, but extremely dependable.

An Odd Bath

In Finland a novel kind of vapor bath has become popular.

The person who proposes to enjoy it lies at full length in a hammock, which is suspended over a bath filled with ice cold water.

Into the water the attendant throws some hot bricks, and then a vapor arises which envelops the person in the hammock, says Home Notes. For some minutes he lies there exposed to the steam and then the attendant, after removing the bricks, gives the hammock a jerk, and sends him splashing into the water.

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HEALTH HINTS.

Potatoes should not be eaten by those who are disposed to be stout, and those who suffer from liver troubles should give them up entirely.

Don't always be thinking that there is something the matter with you, and don't dose yourself with medicine unless you are ordered it by a doctor.

If you shut your finger in a door or bruise it, put it at once in water as hot as you can bear. Change the water as it cools, and keep the finger in for fifteen minutes.

When it is not advisable to open the windows of a sick room, yet necessary to change the heavy atmosphere, sprinkle a few spoonfuls of cologne in a basin and set fire to it.

To avoid chapped hands, keep a box of oatmeal always at hand, and dust them over with it every time the hands are washed. Imperfect drying is the most frequent cause of chaps.

When a child is feverish and cannot sleep, it is an excellent plan to rub the body over with the end of a towel or napkin dipped in whisky, exposing the child to the air as little as possible to avoid further heat.

When a fire has to be kept in the room of an invalid, an old loose glove should be kept handy with a long wooden handle, with which the fire can be picked up with the fingers and put on the fire without making a sound, while, when the fire requires poking, this can be done with the stick with far less noise than with an ordinary poker.

Never eat a hearty meal when you are very tired, as this will certainly give you indigestion. Instead, take a glass of milk (drunk slowly), or beaten-up egg and milk, and wait until you are quite rested before you sit down to a full-to-the-brim meal.

Indigestion should make up their minds to go out for a walk every day, no matter what the weather is like.

For Weak Lungs.—Persons who are susceptible to cold, with the attendant soreness in the chest, will be greatly relieved by sponging the chest and under each shoulder blade with croton oil once a week throughout the winter, beginning with cold weather and continuing until spring. It more effectively strengthens the lungs than any treatment we know of. One winter's treatment made a difference in the weakness of some, and they never have the slightest cold now, no matter how often they change heaters for light clothing in the coldest weather.

Uses of Old Gloves

Old gloves should not be thrown away as soon as they are discarded, for they are still useful in a number of ways after they are no longer fit for wear in the street. Probably everybody understands their value as a protection for the hands in cleaning a bicycle, and most persons, a few gloves fingers laid away in reserve for use in case the hand is injured, but bits of glove skin may be utilized in many fashions.

They are excellent for applying dressing to kid shoes, for making match cases, and pen wipers, and for tying over the tops of bottles in traveling to keep the corks secure. Suspenders may be mended with kid; spectacles, jewelry, and the finger nails polished with it. Strips may be cut from the clean part of the wrist of mousquetaire gloves, these strips to be neatly stitched upon the edge of the collar, cuff, and belt of a tailor-made gown as an appropriate finish, says Woman's Life.

There is material enough in the arms of long evening gloves to make pretty little shoes for infants.

Wireless.

The blue of ocean stretching out to meet the blue sky.
The sparkling, the blinking brass.
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